## **City Council of the Mayor and Council of New Castle**

Public Hearing: Town Hall, 201 Delaware Street, New Castle

Tuesday, May 11, 2010, 6:30 p.m.

## Present:

Council President William Barthel Councilperson John Gaworski Councilperson Teel Petty Councilperson Ted Megginson

## Absent:

Councilperson John Cochran

Also Present: City Treasurer Janet Carlin, City Administrator Cathryn Thomas City Building Official Jeff Bergstrom arrived at 6:35 p.m. City Solicitor Roger Akin arrived at 6:38 p.m.

President Barthel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was taken.

President Barthel informed the purpose of this meeting is to hold one public hearing.

 Consideration of Ordinance No. 472 concerning enforcement of the City's Abandoned Vehicle Code and amending that section of the Code so that the Code Enforcement Officer may perform enforcement functions, in addition to the New Castle city Police Department.

President Barthel read the Ordinance aloud for the audience. He added that the purpose is to streamline things and allow the Code Enforcement Officer to work with the City police to address abandoned vehicles. The City Police Chief supports this Ordinance as does the Code Enforcement Officer. This matter was considered before by the previous City Council but was not acted on due to the change in Council members. Councilperson Petty expressed her concern for the Code Enforcement Officer's safety when enforcing the Ordinance. President Barthel said it would be the decision of the Code Enforcement Office to enlist the assistance of the police department if he feels threatened.

There were no comments from the public.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to close the hearing. The hearing was closed at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Turner Evening Stenographer